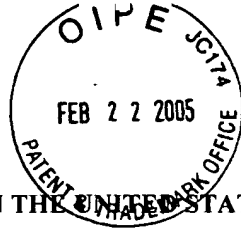


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**PATENT**

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277  
Toyokazu FUJII, et al. : Confirmation Number: 8984  
Application No.: 10/799,715 : Group Art Unit: 2813  
Filed: March 15, 2004 : Examiner: PHAM, Thanhha

For: A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING IMPROVED PLANARIZATION PROPERTIES AND A METHOD FOR FORMING THE SAME (AS AMENDED)

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required.  
☐ Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27  
☐ Also attached:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	15	31	0	\$50.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	2	4	0	\$200.00 =	\$0.00
Multiple claims newly presented					\$0.00
Fee for extension of time					\$0.00
					\$0.00
Total of Above Calculations					\$0.00

- ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 500417 in the amount of \$0.00. An additional copy of this transmittal sheet is submitted herewith.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500417, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 28, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire March 28, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

10/799,715

**IN THE TITLE:**

Please amend the title of the invention to read as: "A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE  
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THE SAME".